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Applicants

Charles D. Snelling :

Leo T. Van Lahr

U.S. Application No.

09/819,943

Filing Date

: March 28, 2001

Title

Liquid Level Detector System

Group Art Unit

2856

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New York, New York July 12, 2001

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RESPONSE TO

NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b) FILING DATE GRANTED

Sir/Madam:

Applicants, through their undersigned attorney, received from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) a NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b) Filing Date Granted having a mailing date of May 15, 2001 for the above-identified application. A copy of the NOTICE is attached.

The NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b) Filing Date Granted requires a declaration. Attached hereto as Exhibits A and B are original copies of the required DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION from the above-identified Applicants Snelling and Van Lahr, respectively, for the above-identified application.

Attorney Docket No. F.007

The NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b) Filing Date Granted requires fees. Attached hereto as Exhibits C and D are original copies of the VERIFIED STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37 CFR 1.27) - PERSON from the above-identified Applicants Snelling and Van Lahr, respectively, for the above-identified application. The fee amounts for a non-small entity set forth in the attached NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b) Filing Date Granted are therefore not believed to be applicable to the above-identified application. Accordingly, attached hereto for the above-identified application is a check in the amount of FOUR HUNDRED and TWENTY DOLLARS (\$420.00) for the basic filing fee of THREE HUNDRED and FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$355.00) and the surcharge fee of SIXTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$65.00) for a small entity. Also attached hereto is a FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2001 (PTO/SB/17 (11-00)) for the aboveidentified application. If any additional fees are deemed necessary, the PTO is hereby authorized and requested to charge the Deposit Account No. 08-2776 of the below-identified firm as required.

If the PTO has any questions about the foregoing,
Applicants' Attorney Gordon F. Belcher is requested to be
contacted at the telephone number below. Additionally, please
address all correspondence to the below-identified firm.

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Please return the attached self-addressed postcard stamped by the PTO to indicate timely receipt of the present RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b) Filing Date Granted.

Respectfully submitted,

Ву

Gordon F. Belcher Reg. No. 33,156 Attorney for Applicants HOPGOOD, CALIMAFDE, JUDLOWE & MONDOLINO, LLP 60 East 42nd Street New York, New York 10165 Tel. No. (212) 551-5000

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I hereby certify that this paper, RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b) Filing Date Granted and every attachment and enclosure referred to therein, including Exhibits A, B, C, and D, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to:

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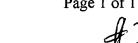
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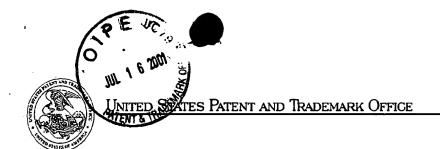
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 840.

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